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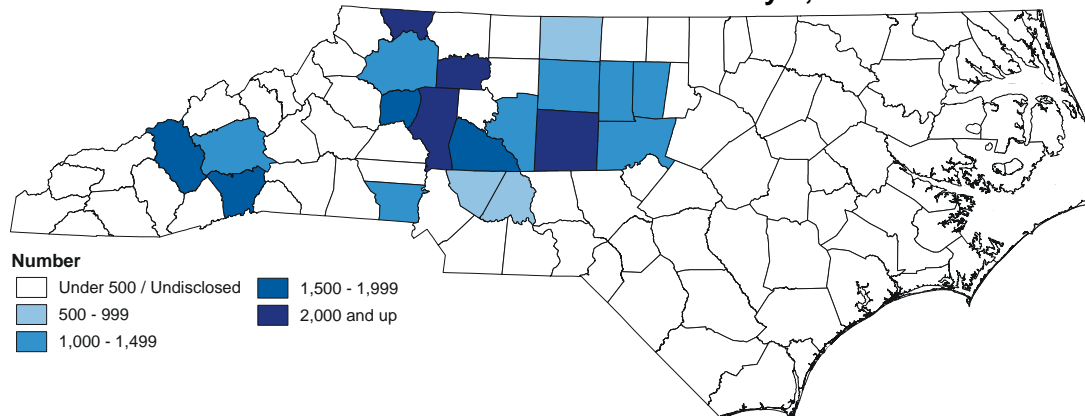
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Quick Facts

- ❖ As of January 1, 2008, there were approximately 48,000 milk cows in North Carolina, unchanged from last year.
- ❖ At 921 million pounds, North Carolina's total milk production ranked 31st in the nation for 2007.
- ❖ During 2007, the number of North Carolina operations with milk cows totaled 470, a 20% decrease from 2006.

Milk Cows: Number on Farms January 1, 2008



Leading Milk Cow Producing Counties

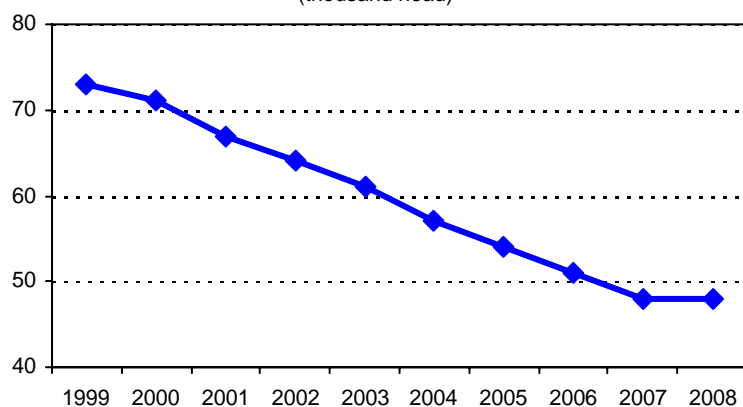
Leading Counties ¹	Number
Iredell	12,500
Randolph	4,000
Yadkin	2,400
Alleghany	2,200
Alexander	1,900
Rowan	1,700
Haywood	1,600
Henderson	1,500
Alamance	1,400
Guilford	1,400

¹Ranking of Published Counties Only

Milk Cow Operations By Size Group

Year	Total	Size Group					
		1-29 Head	30-49 Head	50-99 Head	100-99 Head	200-499 Head	Over 500 Head
1998	1,100	530	60	200	220	75	15
1999	1,000	500	45	180	190	70	15
2000	950	470	40	180	170	75	15
2001	900	460	40	150	160	75	15
2002	860	465	35	130	145	70	15
2003	820	450	35	120	140	65	10
2004	800	450	30	120	130	60	10
2005	680	350	20	110	130	60	10
2006	590	275	25	120	100	59	11
2007	470	175	30	110	100	42	13

Milk Cow Inventory as of January 1 (thousand head)



Milk Production (million pounds)

